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FOLLOWING REPEAT JIDDA 3651 ACTION SECSTATE INFO ALGIERS  
ABU DHABI AMMAN BEIRUT CAIRO DAMASCUS DHAHRAN KHARTOUM  
SANAA TEL AVIV TRIPOLI LONDON 15 JUNE 1974. QUOTE:

C O N F I D E N T I A L 3651

COUNTRY TEAM MESSAGE

E.O.: 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, SU, SA

SUBJ: RELEASE OF KHARTOUM MURDERERS; PROTEST TO SAUDIS

REF : JIDDA 3638 (NOTAL)

1. WIRELESS BULLETIN THIS MORNING CARRIED REPORT THAT  
MURDERERS OF CLEO NOEL AND CURT MOORE HAD BEEN SENTENCED  
TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT. NEWS WAS NOT PARTICULARLY WELCOME.  
KNOWING WHAT THIS USUALLY MEANS IN MIDDLE EAST, WE  
ASSUMED THAT AFTER A FEW YEARS THE MURDERERS WOULD BE  
QUIETLY RELEASED. WE ALSO ASSUMED THIS WAS THE BEST THAT  
COULD BE EXPECTED.

2. NOW OUR RADIOS INFORM US THE SENTENCES HAVE BEEN  
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COMMUTED. THE MURDERERS HAVE BEEN RELEASED AND ARE PRE-

SUMED OUT OF THE COUNTRY.

3. WE CANNOT ADEQUATELY EXPRESS OUR HORROR AND DISGUST AND WE URGE THE DEPARTMENT TO MAKE THE MOST VIGOROUS PROTEST TO KHARTOUM IF THIS REPORT IS TRUE.

4. IF IT IS, GIVEN THE SAUDI INVOLVEMENT, WE ALSO BELIEVE WE SHOULD INFORM SAUDIS OFFICIALLY, AND IN THE STRONGEST TERMS, OF OUR VIEWS.

5. AMBASSADOR IS SCHEDULED TO SEE PRINCE FAHD, SAUDI MINISTER OF INTERIOR, TOMORROW EVENING (1600 GMT, JUNE 26) ON OTHER MATTERS (REFTEL). WE EXPECT THAT, AT A MINIMUM, HE WILL BE ABLE TO REFER TO AN OFFICIAL USG REACTION.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: WE REQUEST, THAT AMBASSADOR ALSO BE GIVEN A MESSAGE TO KING FAISAL OR PRINCE FAHD FROM THE PRESIDENT OR THE SECRETARY, GIVING THEIR VIEWS AND ASKING FOR PUBLIC SAUDI CONDEMNATION.

7. WE BELIEVE WE WOULD HAVE LITTLE CHANCE OF GETTING SAUDI COMPLIANCE, GIVEN THEIR TRADITIONS AND THEIR PAST RECORD. NONETHLESS WE BELIEVE THE REQUEST SHOULD BE MADE OF THEM. OUR POINTS WOULD BE WELL UNDERSTOOD AND THEY MIGHT EVEN RESULT IN SAUDI PRESSURE ON THE PALESTINIAN LEADERS TO TAKE SOME ACTION OF THEIR OWN AGAINST THE MURDERERS.

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